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HOUSE BILL 747

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AN ACT to name a segment of Interstate Highway 40 in Madison County in honor of the late Lynn McCarthy Ross, Tennessee State Trooper.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways in honor of those exemplary public servants who made the ultimate sacrifice of their lives while protecting their fellow citizens and preserving the public safety; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than the late Lynn McCarthy Ross, a dedicated Tennessee State Trooper who courageously gave his life in the line of duty; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of Interstate Highway 40 from Exit 85 to Exit 87 in Madison County is hereby designated as the "Lynn McCarthy Ross Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to this exemplary law enforcement officer and his life of purpose and commitment to the public welfare.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers, both eastbound and westbound, designating such segment of Interstate Highway 40 as the "Lynn McCarthy Ross Memorial Highway."

SECTION 3. The erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.